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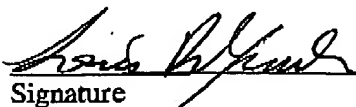
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**A METHOD FOR PURIFYING A THERMOPLASTIC NORBORENE
RESIN, A SUBSTRATE USING SUCH A RESIN, AND A MAGNETIC
RECORDING MEDIUM USING SUCH A SUBSTRATE**

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In order to comply with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, attached hereto is a copy of a
Search and Examination Report mailed October 15, 2002 for the Singapore counterpart of

the present patent application (Singapore Application No. SG 200102338-1), filed 12 April 2001.

The Search Report utilizes conventional codes to characterize each cited reference, and the Examination Report is in English. Thus, it is believed that the applicants in the above-identified patent application have now met the "concise explanation" requirement of 37 C.F.R. 1.98. The references cited in the Search and Examination Report were previously filed on February 11, 2003, along with the English translations of the Abstracts of the references.

In accordance with MPEP Sections 609 and 707.05(b), it is requested that each document cited (including any cited in applicant's specification which is not repeated on the attached Form PTO-1449) be given thorough consideration and that it be cited of record in the prosecution history of the present application by initialing Form PTO/SB/08A next to the document. Such initialing is requested even if the Examiner does not consider a cited document to be sufficiently pertinent to use in a rejection, or otherwise does not consider it to be prior art for any reason, or even if the Examiner does not believe that the guidelines for citation have been fully complied with. This is requested so that each document becomes listed on the face of the patent issuing on the present application.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted in compliance with 37 CFR 1.56, but the citation of such document is not to be construed as an admission that such document is necessarily relevant or prior art. No representation is intended that the cited documents represent the results of a complete search, and it is anticipated that the Examiner, in the normal course of examination, will make an

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independent search and will determine the best prior art consistent with 37 CFR 1.104(a) and in the course of each search, will review for relevance every document cited on the attached form even if not initialed.

Early and favorable consideration is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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Application No:	200102338-1
Applicant:	Fuji Electric Co., Ltd.
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Search and Examination Report; or



Examination Report

You are invited to respond to this opinion by submitting:

- (a) written arguments disagreeing with the Examiner's opinion, and/or
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Part II

We refer to the above invitation. We do not wish to respond to this written opinion and please inform the IP, Australia / Austrian Patent Office ** accordingly.

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